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Reissue of U. S. Patent 6,373,412

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For: FAST JPEG HUFFMAN ENCODING AND DECODING

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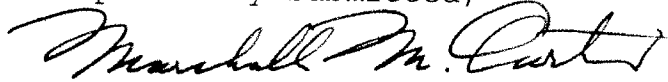
Supplemental reissue declarations of Joan L. Mitchell, Albert N. Cazes and Neil M. Leeder, which have been informally requested by the Examiner, are attached. These supplemental reissue declarations include language outlining the circumstances and errors by the USPTO resulting in a need for the requested corrections and the necessity of reissue of U. S. Patent 6,373,412. This language was approved by the Examiner in response to a request for approval of requested language submitted to the Examiner by facsimile on August 10, 2006.

Since this reissue application has evidently been found by the Examiner to be in condition for allowance, a Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested at an early date. Should anything else be found necessary prior to issuance of such Notice

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Supplemental Reissue Declaration of Joan L. Mitchell  
Supplemental Reissue Declaration of Albert N. Cazes  
Supplemental Reissue Declaration of Neil M. Leeder

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